

Massachusetts Ave/ Brookside Industrial Corridor



U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Community-Wide Assessment Grant

What is the EPA Brownfields Community-Wide Assessment Grant?

In 2015, the U.S. EPA awarded the City of Indianapolis a \$400,000 Brownfields Community-Wide Assessment Grant to support business development activities and property transactions. The grant will be used to assess the threats of hazardous substances, petroleum, and other contaminants by performing Phase I and Phase II Environmental Site Assessments on contaminated or potentially contaminated properties. The City will provide contractual services to support the program in updating brownfield information, coordinating assessment completion, and ensuring proper information distribution. These assessments will help expedite and prioritize redevelopment of brownfield sites within the Massachusetts Ave-Brookside Industrial Corridor. As a result, property owners will be able to address environmental issues at brownfield properties and return them to productive use.

What is a Brownfield?

A Brownfield is commonly defined as an “abandoned, idled, or underutilized property where redevelopment is in part inhibited by actual or perceived environmental contamination.”

What is the Process?

The City of Indianapolis Department of Metropolitan Development Brownfield Redevelopment Program manages and administers the contractual services provided by the grant. Environmental Assessment Phase 1s and Phase 2s will be conducted on priority brownfields so that clean-up and redevelopment planning can occur. Property owners with potential development sites are able to inquire about Environmental Assessment assistance by contacting the Indianapolis Department of Metropolitan Development Brownfield Redevelopment Program.

Step 1: Contact the Indianapolis Brownfield Redevelopment Program

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Step 2: If your site qualifies for assistance, the City will provide a contractor to conduct the determined service.

Step 3: Depending on the status of your site, the timeline for the entire assessment process will be approximately 45-60 days. If a Phase 2 assessment is required, the timeline will be extended.